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November 11, 2019

19-1231

CONSENT

TO: Mayor and Common Council
FROM: Board of Public Works
SUBJECT: Appeal for forestry assessment for property at 1235 S. 31st St.

Dear Mayor and Common Council:

At the November 6, 2019 Board of Public Works meeting, the Board met to review the appeal for a forestry assessment for the property at 1235 S. 31st Street.

"Moved by Alderperson Lee Kummer, seconded by City Attorney Kathleen McDaniel, and unanimously carried to deny the request. Ayes, 6. Nays, none."

Very Truly Yours,



DEBORAH NEUSER
Secretary Board of Public Works

Deborah Neuser

From: Deborah Neuser
Sent: Friday, November 8, 2019 1:52 PM
To: 'nib007@bellsouth.net'
Cc: Mackenzie Reed-Kadow; Dan Koski
Subject: RE: Consideration

This is to let you know that the Board of Public Works met on Wednesday, November 6, at 4:00 p.m. (before this e-mail was received at 5:23 p.m.) and denied your request to reduce or eliminate the assessment for tree trimming. Also, your request to receive notifications via phone, fax text, or e-mail was also denied. Unfortunately our programs are unable to handle such a request at this time.

Deborah A. Neuser

City Clerk, WCMC, City of Manitowoc
900 Quay St., Manitowoc, WI 54220
(Ph) 920-686-6951; (Fax) 920-686-6959
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City Website: www.manitowoc.org



From: Mackenzie Reed-Kadow
Sent: Thursday, November 7, 2019 9:21 AM
To: Deborah Neuser
Subject: FW: Consideration

From: nib007@bellsouth.net [mailto:nib007@bellsouth.net]
Sent: Wednesday, November 6, 2019 5:23 PM
To: Mackenzie Reed-Kadow
Subject: Consideration

Attention City Council members

I am dismayed that I received a bill for the tree trimming in 2016, as 3 years have elapsed. My taxes are always paid, and I have ensured the maintenance of my property with local tradesmen as I am a full-time resident in Naples FL. Since

my relocation here. I have hired local handymen to keep my property in WI in respectable condition. Unfortunately,*, I hired a local handyman that was entrusted to maintain the property and complete the work required, to my misfortune he absconded with the funds and never completed the work. (refer to item 4) As a result, I have incurred \$1200 in additional expenses due to said contractor's fraudulent actions. I have been in contact with several city officials discussing my dilemma, one of the key issues here is the failure to be notified in timely fashion. As you may be aware, I incurred unnecessary expenditures consisting of special violation assessments, should proper notification been effective these bills for the grass cutting would not be an issue. Moving forward, I take great pride in maintaining my property, a contact person in Manitowoc was appointed by myself to act as my liaison. The main issue here is that I would have completed the work had I received proper notification in a timely fashion, I did not receive the five-day notification letter until after the work had been completed.

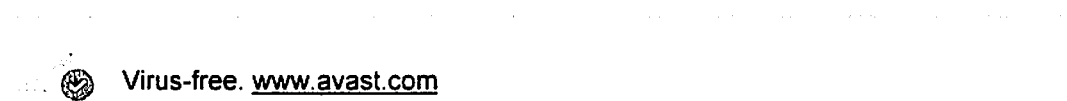
I have itemized said bills as follows for your perusal

1. \$300 bill for grass cutting 2013(5-day notification)
2. \$300 bill for grass cutting 2015(5-day notification)
3. \$300 bill for grass cutting 2016(5-day notification)
4. \$300 bill for tree trimming 2016

Thanking you in advance for your understanding

Tim Schaus

239 207-9488



Deborah Neuser

From: Deborah Neuser
Sent: Tuesday, October 22, 2019 10:36 AM
To: 'nib007@bellsouth.net'
Cc: Mackenzie Reed-Kadow
Subject: Objection to Assessment
Attachments: Issue 4639 Photos.pdf; Issue 4639 Form & Letter.pdf

Your request to waive forestry assessment of \$300 for trimming of tree at 1235 S. 31st Street has been received and communicated to the Common Council at the public hearing last night. Council has referred this matter to the Board of Public Works.

This morning I received some additional information regarding this matter (see attached). The tree in question was trimmed by the City of Manitowoc Parks Department on 10/6/16. Photos of the tree are also attached.

Please advise if you wish to proceed with your objection to the assessment.

Deborah A. Neuser

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Nov. 6
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Mackenzie Reed-Kadow

From: nib007@bellsouth.net
Sent: Monday, October 21, 2019 1:18 PM
To: Mackenzie Reed-Kadow
Subject: RE: Forestry Assessment Letters

Dear Mackenzie

I greatly appreciate your efforts and concern regarding my issues with my property at 1235 S. 31st Street. I received information pertaining to the assessment letter just last week, and being a full-time resident of Naples FL, the mail delivery service here caused a delay in my response. I manage a small business here in Naples and travel to Manitowoc would cause a financial disruption in my employment. The tree trimming was completed by myself between the date of the letter from June 16, 2016 to October 6, 2016. I respectfully request that the forestry assessment of \$300 be waived as to charge me for duplication would be unfair.

In the future, I respectfully request that any communications other than property taxes be submitted to me via telephone, text messages, or email (239) 207-9488. This will ensure that whenever a code violation occurs in the future that requires a rapid response, I assure you that these issues will be remedied immediately. I was a lifelong resident of Manitowoc and was formerly employed by the school department and realize the importance of responding to local government requests..

Many Thanks
Tim Schaus
239 207-9488

From: Mackenzie Reed-Kadow <mreedkadow@manitowoc.org>
Sent: Monday, October 21, 2019 1:11 PM
To: 'nib007@bellsouth.net' <nib007@bellsouth.net>
Subject: Forestry Assessment Letters

Hi Tim,

Here are the letters that were sent out regarding the forestry assessment for your property at 1235 S. 31st Street.

Please let me know if you have questions.

Mackenzie Reed-Kadow
Deputy City Clerk
City of Manitowoc
900 Quay St, Manitowoc, WI 54220
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Issue #(4639)

City of Manitowoc – Parks Department

Tree/Bush Clearance Violation Verification & Cutting Form

Location: 1235 S 31ST ST	Complaint Date: 6/16/2016 0
Parcel Number: 370-000-100	Complainant Name:
Owner Name: SCHAUS TIMOTHY W	Complainant Phone:
Owner Address: 3222 KARST CT NAPLES FL 34112	

Initial inspection date: 6/15/16	Inspector: Chad
Action taken: (circle one) completed by owner	(send letter)
Date letter was sent to owner: 6/16/16	

Owner to get 30 days from date of letter to comply.

INSP DATE	EMP INITIALS	COMPLIANCE YES OR NO	LABORER NAME	LABOR HRS	EQUIP #	EQUIP HRS	DATE BILLED	MINIMUM CHARGE	ADDITIONAL CHARGES
10-6-16	AR	No	A. Rehme	1	654 658	1		\$300.00	
			L Gauthier	1	Pole Saw	1			

Tree over sidewalk per Chad

TREE/BUSH VIOLATION NOTICE

June 16, 2016

TIMOTHY W SCHAUS
3222 KARST CT
NAPLES FL 34112

Dear Property Owner:

An inspection of your property at 1235 S 31ST ST (parcel # 370-000-100) has shown that trees/bushes located on your private property are creating a public nuisance by encroaching on the public right of way thereby creating a hazardous environment. The following clearances must be met:

1. Clearance above sidewalk must be at least ten (10) feet.
2. Clearance above street or alley at curb line or edge of pavement must be at least fourteen (14) feet.
3. Bushes must not protrude onto the sidewalk or alleyway from your property. Bushes must be trimmed back to the edge of the sidewalk or to the edge of the alley.

The City of Manitowoc Municipal Code 8.19(7) states that "In the case of an emergency defined herein as a situation which creates an immediate danger or harm to the health, safety or welfare of the public, the City Forester may enter private property to abate a public nuisance without compliance with the notice requirement detailed in this section. If the City Forester shall abate the nuisance on private property, the cost of the abatement shall be reported to the Municipal Tree Commission as a proposed assessment against the property."

Since most property owners prefer to trim/remove their own trees/bushes, we would appreciate your assistance by trimming/removing the affected trees/bushes as requested within 30 days of the date of this notice. If the trees/bushes are not trimmed by this date, the City of Manitowoc Parks Department will complete the trimming/removal as necessary. The costs of the trimming/removal will then be assessed against your property.

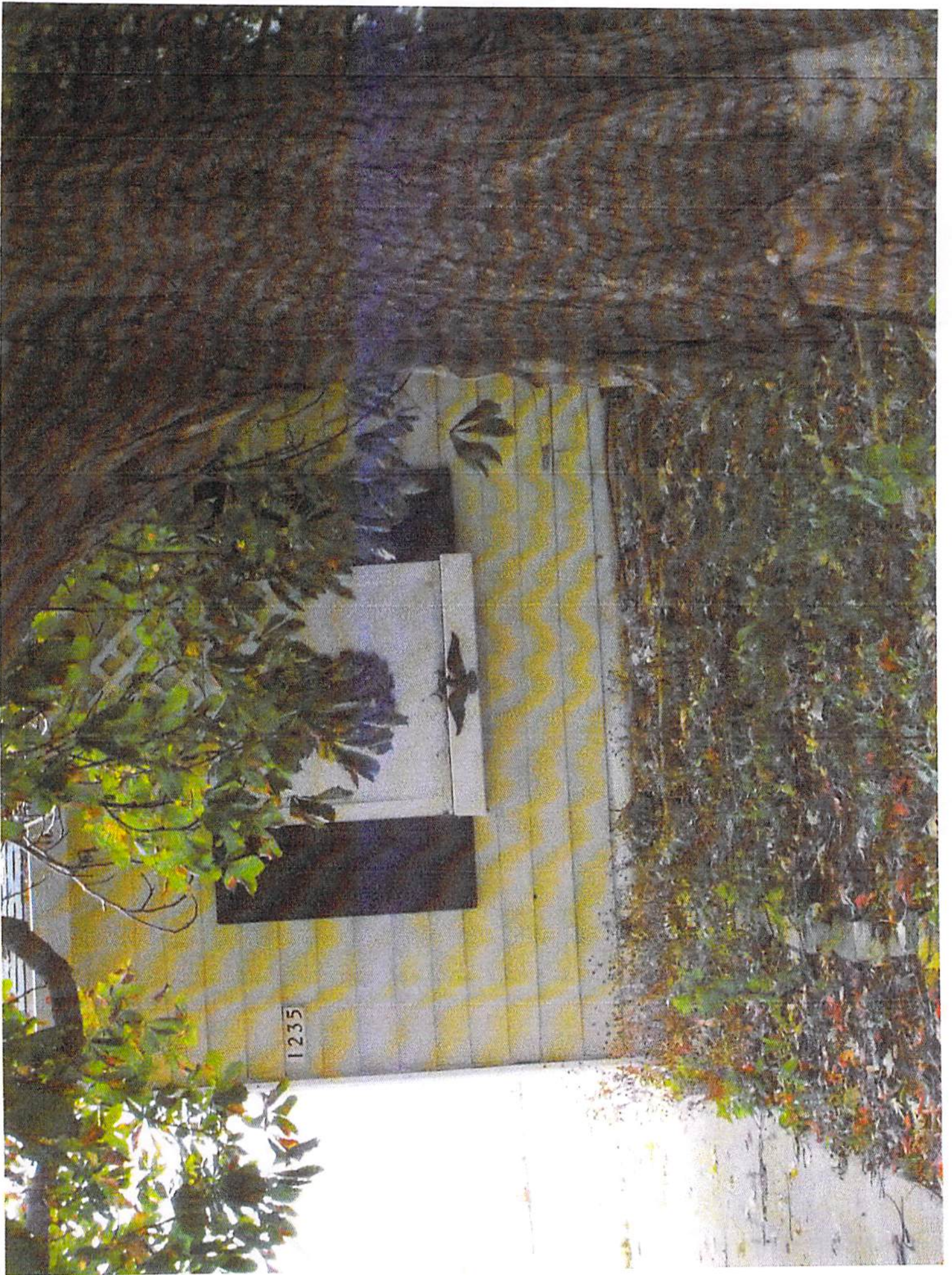
We appreciate your cooperation in this matter. If you have any further questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the Parks office at 920-686-3580 weekdays from 7 AM to 4 PM.

Sincerely,

Chad Scheinoha
Operations Co-Team Leader
SMSR

Issue # 4639







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 Timothy W. Schaus
 Street, Apt. No.,
 or PO Box No. 3222 Karst Ct
 City, State, ZIP+4 Naples FL 34112

PS Form 3800, August 2006 See Reverse for Instructions

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- Print your name and address on the reverse so that we can return the card to you.
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 Timothy W. Schaus
 3222 Karst Ct
 Naples FL 34112

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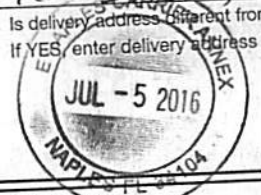
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